

## U-2 Pilot Is Emphatic Against Pre-Trial Visit

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RICHMOND, July 5 (AP)

Attorneys for the wife of spy plane pilot Francis G. Powers said tonight Powers has been emphatic in letters to his family that they refrain from visiting him in Russia before his trial.

The attorneys, named by the Virginia State Bar Association to aid the imprisoned U-2 pilot, were unable to give definite reasons for Powers' comments. The attorneys and Barbara M. Powers, his wife, held a press conference to outline some of the work they have done in attempts to gain entry into Russia as attorneys for Powers.

Mrs. Powers said she has received a second letter from her husband, written on June 28. The attorneys said in the last letter Powers said he was being treated well, eating good food and is in good health.

When asked if there was

any indication the letter was censored, Mrs. Powers said:

"To me, I can't detect any means of the letter being censored. There was nothing new in the second letter."

Because of the intimate character of the letters, she did not make them public. Powers' family in Pound, Va., also has received two letters, which attorneys said have been scrutinized carefully by psychiatrists.

John N. Hazard, a Columbia University professor of international law, is an expert on Russian law, speaks the language fluently and received his law degree at Moscow University. He has been retained to aid the three Virginia attorneys. He said:

"I think they would try to make the trial the fairest thing possible they could," he said, since the world will be closely watching its outcome. "I suspect if there is a trial there will be a conviction," he said.

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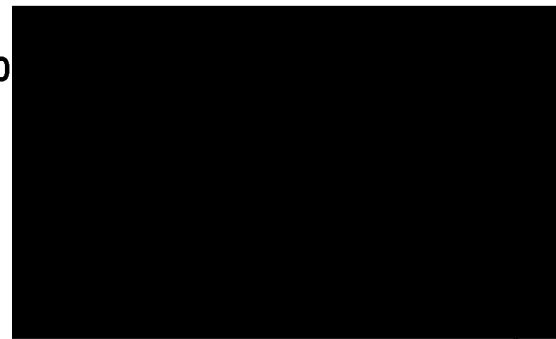
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Barbara Powers, at left, wife of imprisoned U-2 pilot Francis G. Powers, met yesterday with attorneys named by the Virginia State Bar Association to provide legal aid for her in her husband's case.

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John N. Hazard, law pro-  
fessor, and Alex W. Park-  
er, Jr., and Frank W.

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**Virginia Bar to Aid  
In Powers Spy Case**

RICHMOND, June 23

(AP)—The Virginia State Bar Association announced today it has offered legal aid to Francis G. Powers, United States pilot whose U2 plane went down in the Soviet Union May 1.

William P. Dickson Jr. of Norfolk said the offer has been accepted by Powers' wife and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Powers of Pound.

Dickson designated three attorneys to handle the case: Alex W. Parker of Richmond, Frank W. Rogers of Roanoke and John N. Hazard, professor of law at Columbia University. John C. Parker of Franklin will act as counsel for the three attorneys.

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Special to The New York Times.  
BONN, Germany, Aug. 12—  
Prof. John N. Hazard, specialist  
in Soviet law, is still waiting  
for action on his visa application  
to attend the Mr. Powers trial  
in Moscow, he said today.  
Professor Hazard, of Colum-  
bia University, has requested a  
visa to serve as defense legal  
advisor for Mr. Powers.

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